Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—How is the investigation to be completed without any provision?

Rao Bahadur Mr. John Kuriyan.—The investigation is provided for in 1103, and the balance is provided in 1104. That is for the staff, not for the carrying out of the scheme.

Kurumali Bund.

15. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the total amount spent on the Kurumali Bund till now and what they propose to do with the abandoned road;

(b) will they be pleased to get the opinions of an Irrigation expert before coming to any final conclusion in the matter?

Rao Bahadur Mr. John Kuriyan.— (a) Rs. 24,731. There is no abandoned road.

(b) The matter is in the hands of the State P. W. D. No other expert opinion is considered necessary.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Here it is stated that there is no abandoned road. Was not the proposal at the beginning to make use of the western portion of this bund as a road from Rappal to Kuttichira?

Rao Bahadur Mr. John Kuriyan.—Yes. Portion of the bund was meant to be used as a road.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Is it abandoned now?

Rao Bahadur Mr. John Kuriyan.—It is breached in several places. It is not fit to be used as a road.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—I remember that to one of my previous questions it was stated that it is an abandoned road.

Rao Bahadur Mr. John Kuriyan.—It is breached in more than one place.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—May I know what they propose to do with the bund?

Rao Bahadur Mr. John Kuriyan.—That is under the consideration of the Government.

Amounts spent under sections 16 (8) and 16 (9) of the Council Regulation; the questions and resolutions put in by the members.

16. Mr. A. B. Salem.—Will the Government be pleased to inform:—

(1) the amount of money authorised by the Diwan to be spent as essential to the discharge of the responsibilities of Government under section 16 (8) of the Cochin Legislative Council Regulation since the opening of the Legislative

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